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1. The assassin of General Chanson, whose name was Son, was known in Sadec as a double agent. A member of the Communist Health Volunteer Group in the Saigon area, he also served on the General Staff of the local Cao Dai organization.
2. Son was also a member of the Thanh Nien Bao Quoc Doan, youth group of the anti-Communist nationalist Dai Viet party. The head of the Sadec branch of the group, Nguyen Van Hiep, aka Thiet, once acted as guarantor for Son, following his arrest in a French army raid. As a result of Son's connection with the group, several members of the Sadec branch of the Thanh Nien Bao Quoc Doan have been arrested. There is apprehension in Saigon that members of the Saigon branch also face arrest.

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